



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

AREA PANEL 4

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Report of Head of Stronger and Safer Communities Unit

Area Panel 4 Community Issues Update Report

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Item No	Issue title	Recommended panel action
Mickleover ward		
1.1	Redevelopment of University of Derby Mickleover campus, Mickleover	Note and report back June 2007
1.2	Petition – Removal of bollards Chatsworth Drive, Mickleover	Note
Littleover ward		
1.3	Petition – Car parking on Uttoxeter Road, Littleover	Note
1.4	Dog dirt bins, Haven Baulk Lane Park, Littleover	Decide on action
1.5	Development of Littleover Community School, Littleover	Note and close
1.6	Trees at Post House Hotel Development, Littleover	Note and close
1.7	Corden Avenue and Uttoxeter Road Junction road surface	Note
All wards		
1.8	Planning application at East Midlands Airport, all wards	Note and put into outstanding issues table
1.9	Outstanding issues	

1.1 Ref: 402030 - Redevelopment of University of Derby Mickleover campus, Mickleover – raised 27.11.02

Issue: This issue was raised in November 2002 asking for assurances from the Council that the quality of life for local residents would be taken into account during the future redevelopment.

Action: Provide an update on the planning application.

Update: A summary of the activity over the last year is as follows:

- The planning application was reported to the City Councils Planning Control

Committee on the 2 February 2006.

- The Committee Members resolved to notify the Secretary of State that the City Council was minded to grant planning permission for the development, subject to the applicants entering into a legal agreement.
- The requirements of that Section 106 agreement relate to affordable housing, mobility housing, public open space, major open space and replacement pitches, education, swimming pool, scout hut, highways and public art.
- On 24 March 2006, we received confirmation from the Government Office for the East Midlands that the Secretary of State did not intend to call the application in and that the City Council were able to determine the application.
- Since March 2006, negotiations have been on-going between the City Council and the Consortium of Developers to reach agreement over the terms of the section 106 agreement. These negotiations are not yet finalized, therefore a decision has not yet been issued on the planning application.

Regarding the future of the swimming pool, the City of Derby Local Plan Review's policy for the housing redevelopment of the Mickleover Campus requires the 'retention of the swimming pool facilities on the site'. It is therefore the developers' responsibility to ensure that the swimming pool is retained and remains open for a set period of time. The Section 106 Agreement being negotiated on the planning application will make sure that this happens.

The agreement, as drafted at the moment, requires the developers, or an approved body, to be responsible for managing the swimming pool. Should the developer or approved body fail to meet the terms of the Section 106 agreement, the Council will, subject to the total cost of provision being covered by the commuted sum and income generated by the pool, aim to establish a new management agreement with an organisation that is capable of managing the facility.

We will report back to a future meeting when the details have been agreed. **Note and put into Outstanding issues table.**

Further information: Ian Woodhead, Group Leader, Regeneration and Community, telephone 255083

1.2 **Ref: 406028 – Petition - Removal of Bollards Chatsworth Drive, Mickleover - received 29.11.06**

Issue: A petition was presented to the meeting requesting the removal of eight bollards on Chatsworth Drive. Chatsworth Drive is a small and relatively new development that is not subject to fast moving through traffic. Two sections of the road have been narrowed for the purpose of traffic calming with eight reflective bollards erected on each section – giving a total of 16. Residents feel that there are more bollards than are needed and they have an adverse impact on the visual aesthetics of the development. The Council has not yet adopted the highway and residents consider this an appropriate time to request that the developers remove the eight bollards along with other remedial work outstanding on the footpaths.

Action: To refer the petition to the Cabinet Member for Planning and Transportation and ask officers to investigate and report back.

Update: We are still investigating the issue and plan to respond to the Area Panel meeting on 28 March 2007. **Note.**

Further information:

John Edgar, Maintenance Manager, Regeneration and Community, telephone 715067
Duncan Inwood, Group leader, Regeneration and Community, telephone 255926

1.3

Ref: 406001 - Petition, Car parking on Uttoxeter Road, Littleover received 18.01.06 and 27.09.06

Issue: A petition had been received in December 2005 about the difficulty of getting out of driveways along Uttoxeter Road near to the City Hospital. This is because of cars parked by hospital workers, visitors and contractors between 8am and 5pm. There is very little space to manoeuvre and it is difficult to see oncoming traffic travelling at 40mph. Can the Council install double yellow lines as part of the list of improvements already proposed for the next few weeks.

A second petition signed by 87 residents was received in September 2006 requesting car parking restrictions on Uttoxeter Road between Corden Avenue and the City Hospital roundabout on the left hand side as you travel into the city.

The Littleover Ward Councillors agreed to prioritise work to address this issue as one of their priorities for the 2007/08 highways and transport schemes.

Action: The Parking Enforcement section will be asked to target the area as a priority.

Update: The parking enforcement team undertakes regular patrols around the City Hospital. As part of their enforcement effort they check for misuse of disabled persons' blue badges, taking action where appropriate, and this will continue to be the case. Council Cabinet will make a decision about the 2007/8 highways and transportation programme in February 2007 and a report brought back to the panel in March 2007.

Note.

Further information: Neil Palfreyman, Traffic Management Engineer, Regeneration and Community, telephone 716090

1.4

Ref: 406021 – Dog dirt bins, Haven Baulk Lane Park, Littleover - received 27.09.06

Issue: A local resident raised concern over the large amount of dog waste on Haven Baulk Lane Park. She stated that there is only one sign telling people to pick up dog waste. She asked the Panel for more signs to be erected, to encourage dog walkers to collect the dog waste, and for more dog waste bins to be installed.

Action: To submit an application for Area Panel funding to install a dual waste bin.

Update: The application for funding is included on the finance report at this meeting.
Close when a decision is made in the Finance report.

Further information: Ken Richardson, Environmental Services, telephone 716646

1.5

Ref: 406026 – Development of Littleover Community School, Littleover - received 29.11.06

Issue: A new resident of Haven Baulk Lane raised her concern over the excessively high speed of traffic using Haven Baulk Lane. It made it difficult for pedestrians to cross the road, made it unsafe for children and parents to walk to school and made it unsafe to park your car on the road. She asked the panel if anything could be done.

Action: To provide an update on action taken regarding speed checks and report back on the outcome of decisions on 2007/08 programme for highways and transport schemes.

Update: Children and Young People 's Services have no more information to add to the response given on 29 November that Littleover Community school is full and that a new school is needed because there is little opportunity for it to be extended, that conversations are taking place between the City Council and County Council and a new primary school is planned for the area.

The City of Derby Local Plan Review identifies land either side of Rykneld Road for 980 new houses. Consultation recently took place on more detailed guidance for this development. There will need to be a Section 106 agreement negotiated between the developers and the City Council before any planning permission is granted to ensure that adequate additional secondary school capacity is provided at the developers' expense to meet the new needs arising.

Planning applications have been submitted to South Derbyshire District Council for about 1,200 houses at Highfields Farm just outside the City boundary. The developers have appealed against the non-determination of these applications and a planning inquiry will now be held, probably commencing in May 2007. If planning permission is eventually granted, there will again first need to be a Section 106 agreement negotiated ensuring that adequate additional secondary school capacity is provided. **Note and close.**

Further information: Shaun Skelton, Derbyshire Police, telephone 222184

Tony Gascoigne, Traffic Control Engineer, Regeneration and Community telephone 715019

1.6 **Ref: 406027 – Trees at Post House Hotel Development, Littleover - received 29.11.06**

Issue: A resident commented that he had heard that the trees adjacent to the new housing development on the old Post House Hotel site are going to be cut down. He asked if this was true.

Action: Confirmation that the trees are protected.

Update: A group Tree Preservation Order covers the larger trees in question. However we have agreed to the removal of many of the poorer or smaller trees but the main trees are all to remain. The removal of any trees covered by the tree preservation order is a criminal offence and fines could be in the region suggested at the last meeting. **Note and close.**

Further information: Duncan Inwood, Group leader, Regeneration and Community, telephone 255926

1.7 **Ref: 406029 – Corden Avenue and Uttoxeter Road Junction road surface, Littleover - received 29.11.06**

Issue: A resident commented that the tarmac on the road surface around the Corden Avenue and Uttoxeter Road junction was in a poor state and had been due for repair. He asked what can be done to tackle the problem.

Action: Investigate and report back

Update: The resurfacing of Uttoxeter Road including the Corden Avenue junction is down on the provisional highways maintenance programme for 2007/08. The programme will be agreed by Cabinet in February 2007 and will be reported back to the Area Panel in March 2007. **Note.**

Further information: Michelle Spamer, Area Coordination officer, regeneration and Community, telephone 715064

1.8 **Ref: 404025 – Planning Application at East Midlands Airport, all wards – received 19.05.04**

Issue: A resident asked if the Council would be responding to the East Midlands Airport runway expansion planning application and whether the Council will have a permanent watching brief over future developments. He stated that the airport have said the extension would not make any difference to the volume of air traffic.

Action: Provide an update on the planning application.

Update: North West Leicestershire District Council report that they are awaiting a revised Environmental Statement and that there is no specific timescale for determination of the application.

Note and put into outstanding issues table until more information is known.

Further information: Rob Salmon, Head of Plans and Policies, Regeneration and Community, telephone 255020

1.9 **Outstanding issues**

Issue	Outstanding action	Date to report back
Petition – Car parking on Uttoxeter Road, Littleover	Report back on outcome of the 2007/08 programme of Highways and Transportation schemes.	March 2007
Traffic on Haven Baulk Lane, Littleover	Waiting for more information	March 2007
Maintenance on Pastures Hill, Littleover	Report back on the outcome of the 2007/08 programme of Highways and Transportation schemes.	March 2007

PROPOSED ACTION

2.1 To consider and note the report.

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Background papers:	Area Panel 4 community issues update report, background information – available on CMIS
List of appendices:	None.